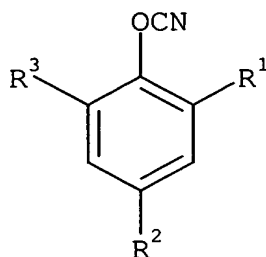
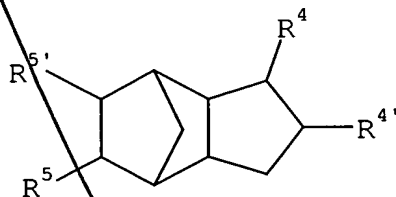


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Abstract

The invention relates to unsaturated oligophenol cyanates of the general formula (I)  $[A-]_n[B-A]_xB[-A]_m$  in which A is a group of formula



and B is a group of formula



where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$  and  $R^3$  are each hydrogen or a bond with a group B, there being either one or two bonds with B; and both  $R^4$  and  $R^{4'}$  as well as  $R^5$  and  $R^{5'}$  separately or jointly represent a direct bond or hydrogen and a bond with a group A, there being either one or two bonds with A. The indices  $m$  and  $n$  are 0 or 1 but not both 1 at the same time and  $x$  is a whole number between 0 and 10, where at least one of the numbers  $m$ ,  $n$  and  $x$  is not 0.

The above unsaturated oligophenol cyanates can be prepared by reacting the corresponding oligophenols with cyanogen chloride. They have a low viscosity and owing to their double bonds are able to undergo free-radical polymerization. They are especially suitable for use as matrix materials for fibre-reinforced composites and for radiation-curable varnishes and coatings.